

# Holyrood Mennonite Church

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**Children's Church:** Helena

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**Tech Support:** Arthur Elliott, Edward, Dixon

## Our Vision:

*Training Apprentices of Jesus to share God's abundant hospitality with people of all ages and cultures through the power of the spirit.*

**Welcome to Worship Service at 10:30 am  
Sunday, August 24, 2025**

## GATHERING

Prelude: Eun Jin

Welcome

Gathering Song: Open My Eyes Lord

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

## PRAISING GOD

- There is Joy in the House of the Lord
- My Lifetime, I Will Give God My Lifetime
- If You Believe and I Believe
- There's a River of Life

Offering:

Can be made by e-transfer to [holyroodmchurch@gmail.com](mailto:holyroodmchurch@gmail.com)

Offertory: Take My Life and Let it Be

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Feature: Venissa and Helena

Scripture: Luke 10:25-37, read from Indigenous Bible by Zipporah

***Meditation: Who is "entitled" to inherit eternal life?  
Lessons from the Good Samaritan***

- Transition Song: Will You Let Me Be Your Servant vs. 1 and 2 #307 HWB

## SHARE AND PRAYER

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song: The Peace of the Earth

## Announcements

### From Holyrood

- **Wednesday, August 27:** Bible Study at 7 p.m. in person & Zoom
- **Thursday, August 28:** Music lessons and church cleaning: from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### Next Sunday, August 31 at 10:30 a.m.

- Worship leaders/speakers: Pastor Nathaniel and Pastor Suzanne
- Praise and worship music team
- Scripture: Psalm 103:1-8
- Children's feature: Pastor Suzanne

### Our Shared Prayer

- God who separated the waters to create land for us to inhabit, who designed the teamwork of trees and microbes and dust to bring rain and life to the earth, we ask for your attention and guidance. We long for clean water and equitable water access throughout the world you have created, and we desire to follow your commands to care for creation. You, Lord, designed the ebb and flow of water, the push and pull of the moon to bring the tides. You created glaciers and geysers, rivers and mighty oceans. You created us to be the caretakers of the waters, tasked us with tending to the delicate balance of the world's ecosystems.

Give us what we need to be good stewards, to heed the calling you have placed on us. Help us to care for the planet's health, both near and far. Lend your strength to your workers, give dignity to your creation, and remind us of the wisdom of nature, helping us to live harmoniously and wisely in the world. Amen.  
*Written and shared by Debbie Bledsoe, pastor, First Mennonite Church Edmonton*

## Mennonite Church Alberta 2025 Prayer Request for August *Please pray for Camp Valaqua*

- For the months of July and August, pray for the leadership and staff of Camp Valaqua. Pray for these individuals by name as they serve and grow this summer.  
**Leadership:** Interim Director: Charlene Lauzier; Managers: Derek & Darcie Janzen; Program Director: Devlin Patrick; Office Manager: Lena Wiebe; CIT Director: Kyle Wiebe; PIT Crew Leader: Liesel Retzlaff; Gardener: Ashley Dunn; Out-Trip Director: Ben OlfertWiens; Assistant Out-Trip Director: Jade Janssen; Program Assistant: Margo Ratzlaff; Head Cook: Louisa Adria; Assistant Cook: Isabelle Morel  
**Counsellors:** Josie Koop; Sarah Giesbrecht; Kienna Krahn; Claire Donais; Mikka Kostanecki; Koharu Hogaboam; Danika Hickling; **Helena Chokpelleh**; Jordan Wiens; Alexander Adrian; Jake Martell.  
**Counsellors-In-Training:** Bella Tanzola; Emma Couldwell; Hope Tomlinson; Rachael Giesbrecht; Rue Loewen; Eleanor Heintz; **Venissa Tumbay**; Sam OlfertWiens; Jonah OlfertWiens; Yaromyr Horokhovets; Ben Belletrutti; Finn Lee-Epp; Kenny Sabourin; Sam Nielson; Kenai Warkentin.

## Mennonite Life and Church Activities

- **In Tune Conference:** MCC Alberta's annual conference is coming to Edmonton on September 27! Hear the human story of migration from African, Asian, Canadian, and Middle Eastern perspectives, focusing on the transformative potential of welcoming the stranger. Holyrood will choose two delegates for the conference. This is in-person and on-line over the lunch hour on September 27. Visit [mcc.org/intune-2025](https://mcc.org/intune-2025) to register.
- **Rebuild, restore and volunteer with Mennonite Disaster Services this fall!** There are weekly volunteer spaces open in Barrington, NS, from August 31 - October 24. MDS is building a house for a wildfire survivor in this community. Please contact the MDS Canada office at [mdscanada@mds.org](mailto:mdscanada@mds.org) or 1(866) 261-1274 for more information and to sign up.